

The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin Commissioner

September 28, 2005

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 05-161Certified Mail #7099 3400 0003 6156 0649

Jane Difley
Society for Protection of NH Forests
54 Portsmouth Street
Concord, NH 03301-5400

Subject: Woodstock – Public Water System: Lost River (EPA #2577040)

Dear Ms. Difley:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that Lost River water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people, for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system owner is required to submit samples to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for coliform bacteria analysis in compliance with NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325.

DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit bacteria samples and as a result Monitoring/Reporting (M/R) violations were issued for the following months:

August 2004 and August 2005

In view of the Monitoring/Reporting violations, DES believes the deficiencies can be corrected by taking the following actions:

By October 12, 2005, submit a water "make up" sample for bacteria analysis to the state laboratory, or a state-certified laboratory, in accordance with NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325.

Please continue to submit water samples according to the water system's Master Sampling Schedule enclosed.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may initiate formal action against you, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding, and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

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Please be reminded to carry out the public notice requirements and provide proof of public notice to DES for the August 2005 monitoring/reporting violation.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Anne Bailey at (603) 271-0672 or by email at abailey@des.state.nh.us.

Sincerely,

✓Sarah Pillsbury, P.G., Administrator

Water Supply Engineering Bureau

Enclosures: Master Sampling Schedule

Public Notice Form

cc w/enclosures: Deb Williams Manley, Lost River, Sampling Agent

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cc: Gretchen R. Hamel, DES Legal Unit Administrator

Town of Woodstock Health Officer

EPA, Region 1

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